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We enclose herewith for consideration by the Examiner one copy of the prior art documents listed in the attached Form PTO-1449. The prior art documents were cited in the International Search Report, a copy of which is enclosed.

U.S. Patent 6,039,099 is an English version of the European document 08

44111, and U.S. Patent 6,094,978, is an English version of WO 94/03338. English translations of the Japanese patents are not readily available, however English language Abstracts are attached thereto.

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